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Harry Cook

(beaver on)

Sat. 7th May 60.

Dearest René

The Thing I was going to mention this ~~Midday~~ a 'phone was merely about that business of how much or to what extent is In Parenthesis coloured by subsequent afterthoughts & so on. You asked and this when you came last, you'll remember & I agreed that there was a good bit of this, But I don't think the general attitude was distorted – ~~In Parenthesis~~ For example, ~~this~~ that feeling of being linked with past battles etc. was ~~quite certain~~ often to be noticed. I remember in a bit of a nasty show on one occasion I suddenly came across my mate Leslie Poulter & I asked him if he'd seen a bloke called Harry Cook during the bombardment & if he was all right – & Leslie said, in our haste (for we were both occupied with something or other, I've forgotten what) – "Yes – I saw young Harry with his beaver on "